

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE TO RUTH COLE DUSENBURY

HON. MARILYN N. MUSGRAVE

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 16, 2006

Mrs. MUSGRAVE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ruth Cole Dusenbury whose life was a shining example of responsible citizenship. Born in Maryland in 1929, Ruth's busy life led her to Holyoke, Colorado in 1974 where she became part owner of Speer Cushion Company and was an active participant in numerous professional organizations and civic groups.

Ruth was an energetic advocate for small business concerns. From 1976–1987 Ruth served in the local Business and Professional Women's Organization in all offices as well as District Chairman. She served as State Legislative Chairman for 2 years and she attended 3 national conventions as well as 6 state conventions. She was a member of a delegation of businesspeople from throughout the United States to the Republic of China in 1986. Mrs. Dusenbury participated in the State Leadership Initiative sponsored by then Secretary of State Natalie Meyers.

In 1993, Ruth was a member of the Statehouse Conference on Small Business and, in 1995, she was elected as a delegate to the White House Conference on Small Business in Washington DC. Ruth was an active member of the National Federation of Independent Businesses, serving as a delegate to national meetings in 1996 and 1998.

Ruth also had a deep love of the arts. She was a board member of the Holyoke Community Arts Council for 30 years. She was a charter member of the Colorado Arts Consortium and participated in regional activities as well as at a national level with the National Association of Local Arts Agencies. Additionally, Ruth was President of the Colorado Arts Coalition for 2 years, an advocacy group for the arts.

The Republican Party also consumed a great deal of Ruth's time and energy. She was a campaign worker for Nixon/Agnew, Senator Hank Brown, Representative and Senator WAYNE ALLARD, Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell, Governor Bill Owens, and numerous state and local candidates. Ruth was the Republican chairman of Phillips County, Colorado and served as a delegate to the state conventions numerous years. She was an alternate to the Republican National Convention in 1984.

Ruth led by example and her enthusiastic community involvement demonstrated her passion for making a positive impact on the world around her. We have been saddened by the recent loss of this woman. She gave so much to her community and her state for so many years. Ruth Dusenbury was also well known as a loving wife and mother. She is leaving behind her loving husband Wally and two beautiful daughters.

HONORING THE EDUCATORS HALL OF FAME

HON. RANDY NEUGEBAUER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. NEUGEBAUER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to bring to my colleagues' attention an important event in my congressional district. On February 27, 2006, the African-American Chamber of Commerce in Lubbock, Texas, is holding the third annual induction ceremony for the Educators Hall of Fame. This unique event honors Lubbock's local educators and recognizes the essential role they play in the community.

This year, the Educators Hall of Fame will honor six teachers who, among other accomplishments, prepared students for leadership before and during the civil rights movement. These educators are unsung heroes who helped build a foundation during those turbulent times for the march toward full equality promised by our Constitution. For the first time, three non African-Americans will be honored for their commitment to help African-American youth during that time. This year's inductees into the Educators Hall of Fame are Dr. Sam Ayers, Ms. Lottie Barrow, Lubbock Independent School District Superintendent Wayne Havens, Ms. Nora Hutchinson, Ms. Rose Mediano, and Ms. Mae Phea.

The Lubbock African-American Chamber of Commerce should be commended for their initiative to recognize the important work done by education professionals. These educators are being honored because they believe that America can be made a better place through education. Their years of service have touched the lives of many and improved our community, State and country.

CONGRATULATING J.H. ROSE HIGH SCHOOL'S 2005 VARSITY FOOT- BALL TEAM

HON. WALTER B. JONES

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, though it is now 2006, I want to take the opportunity to recognize a great success story from my district last year.

One great story of accomplishment from Eastern North Carolina in 2005 is an outstanding athletic achievement by the Rampants of Junius H. Rose High School in Greenville, North Carolina.

This past December, the Junius H. Rose High School varsity football team finished an undefeated season by claiming then third consecutive North Carolina High School Athletic Association 4-A state football title.

Rose High School is one of only four 4-A teams in North Carolina to win at least three

consecutive titles, with a total of four state titles.

I am very proud of the Rose High varsity football team's hard work and determination in establishing this winning tradition. Rose coach Greg Thomas, the 2004 AP state prep coach of the year, has declared that the ultimate goal of his team each year is winning a state championship.

I wish to congratulate all of the team's coaches and players:

Coaches: Greg Thomas, Todd Lipe, Lee Nicholson, Walt Pollard, Stephen Walters, Ronald Pugh, Ron Jones, Nick Anderson, Ty Nelson, Brent Jamison, Phoenix Evans, Will Wiberg, Robert Grant, Bill Grimm.

Players: Jonathan Williams, Maurice Weaver, Josiah Andrews, Rashard Green, Brian Blick, Jamie Williams, Chris Townsend, John Wilhelmsen, Scott Hodges, Cameron Johnson, Brandon Taylor, J J Bryant, Marcus Best, Adam Carraway, Malcolm Blount, Demetrius Dixon, Anthony Adams, Phillip Turner, Montrel Miles, Brandon Cox.

Carter Gagnon, McGiver Nicholson, Akeem Thomas, E J Gilbert, Eborn Rawl, Matt Board, Drew Batts, Gabe McCuller, Byron Tyson, Javan Burney, Beau Corey, Danny Jones, Joe James, Billy Cates, Beau Benfield, Jonathan Little, Mike Royston, Bryan Deans, Jameson Bryant, Taylor Ward.

Ian Baro, Tyrone Spinks, Larry Chamblis, Charlie Craigle, Brentley Richardson, William Batts, Malcolm Rook, Jimmie Booth, William Brewington, Demarus Williams, John Phillips, Jake Ovitt, Clay Douglas, Garrett Oakley, Morgan Randall, Max Joyner, Louis Muldrow, Sammy Becirovic, Trey Coleman, Anthony Williams.

Mr. Speaker, I, like many of my colleagues in Congress, have had the fortunate opportunity of playing on a high school state championship team. More than 40 years later, I can still vividly recall in my mind the wonderful memory of the night my high school basketball team at Hargrave Military Academy won the Military League Championship.

I close by once again congratulating the J.H. Rose High School coaches and players for their hard work and their success in achieving an athletic victory which they will remember with pride for years to come.

REGARDING THE INTRODUCTION OF A BILL TO REQUIRE ACCRED- ITING AGENCIES AND ASSOCIA- TIONS TO COMPLY WITH DUE PROCESS THROUGHOUT THE AC- CREDITATION PROCESS

HON. JUANITA MILLENDER-McDONALD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD. Mr. Speaker, according to recent reports, 46 percent of all U.S. undergraduates are enrolled in a community college. Community college is an important alternative for our students, especially minority students. Over 47 percent of African

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